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HOW RED CROSS
USES ITS FUNDSACTIVITIES OF RED CROSS IN
VARIOUS PHASES OF WORK
ARE SHOWN.

Adhering to its post-war policy of condensation and coordination without affecting accomplishment, the American Red Cross has adopted a budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923, showing a reduction of \$2,735,975 as compared with the expenditures of last year. The budget, \$9,739,872.47 for 1922-23, is apportioned solely for the activities of the National organization, and it is exclusive of the large financial operations of the 3,300 active Red Cross chapters which, it is estimated, added to the National budget would show a total not far under \$20,000,000.

Budget allotments for domestic operations aggregate \$6,335,795.39 which is \$488,015.32 less than expenditures for 1921-1922. For foreign operations the total is \$3,404,007.08, less by \$2,247,050.90 than was spent the previous year.

The reduction in cost of domestic operations represents a saving in overhead expenses and decreased personnel through the combining of divisional units. The foreign operations, with the exception of the Junior American Red Cross, were practically terminated on last July 1 with the fulfillment of obligations and commitments abroad. Of this retrenchment, Chairman John Barton Payne in his annual report says:

"One lesson learned from the war is that inflation is easier than retrenchment, and it required considerable time to withdraw from Europe without giving our friends there the impression that we were leaving them in the lurch. They had learned to expect much from American altruism; but all legitimate expectations have now been honorably met."

"The American Red Cross will preserve the confidence of the American people by a conscientious and resolute effort to keep down overhead expense without loss of efficiency in those activities where the Red Cross has unquestioned obligations and responsibilities."

How the Red Cross Uses Its Funds
Four years after the end of the World War the Red Cross is meeting with a spirit of liberality both in fund and service needs of disabled ex-service men and their dependents. Of the domestic budget \$3,030,692.90 is set apart by the National organization for soldier service—\$366,000 more than was expended in 1921-22. The increase is imperative in order to keep pace with the demands for on June 1 last 27,487 ex-service men were under treatment from the Government, 1,387 more than recorded last year. This figure is exclusive of service to 11,087 enlisted men of the regular Army and Navy reported under treatment in Government hospitals.

Other outstanding domestic items in the 1922-23 budget are: For disaster relief, \$750,000; for emergencies in Chapter work, \$500,000; for service and assistance to Chapters and their branches, \$1,293,000; for assistance to other organizations and educational institutions that train Red Cross nurses and workers, \$200,000; for Roll Call assistance furnished to Chapters, \$190,000; for unforeseen contingencies, \$100,000.

Less than \$500,000 is set aside for management in the National organization. The ratio of management expense to the total expenditures last year was five and two-tenths per cent, and it is expected that the ratio this year will fall below five per cent.

The Red Cross must depend chiefly upon its volunteer membership for financial support and service. In its appeal for the maintenance of strength through a full enrollment during the annual Roll Call campaign, Armistice Day (Nov. 11) and Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 30) inclusive, the American Red Cross presents its evidence of unlimited work in the service of all mankind at the lowest cost commensurate with adequate standards.

Half the population of France grows products to keep the other half alive. In other words one-half the population are farmers.

Despite the shape of the outer shell, the yolks of all normal eggs are exactly spherical.

Local News

Mrs. Jennie Lake visited over the week end with friends in Forest Hill. Miss Marion Johnson visited with relatives near Shepherd over Sunday. Bruce Stevens and family of Ashley spent Saturday in Alma on business.

Arthur Fookes and Mr. Cross are working in Lansing at the present time.

You will find the best bread in Butter Cup wrappers—advertisement.

Under-sheriff, Earl Willert of Ithaca was in the city on business Wednesday.

If you would sell in record time, let Record Classified find the buyer.—advertisement.

Mrs. Gordon of Greenville was a guest at the home of Mrs. William Snell last week.

Christmas cards, booklets, seals, stickers and calendardaps. Winslow Bros. Drug Store.

Attend the Charity Concert, Friday evening, Nov. 24 at the Presbyterian Church.—advertisement.

The Pythian Sister Club will meet with Mrs. Melbourne Medler, 318 Park, Tuesday evening, Nov. 8.

Dr. E. G. Sluyter, osteopathic physician, State Savings Bank Building, Alma, both phones.—advertisement.

Mrs. E. Parsons and son, Robert, of Forest Hill visited over Sunday with her son, Walter Snyder, and family of this city.

President H. M. Crooks of Alma College made an address Wednesday evening before the Parent-Teachers Club of Saginaw, West Side.

A number from here attended the Michigan-Wisconsin game at Ann Arbor last Saturday, and witnessed the U. of M. team pull out another victory, although scored on for the first time this year.

Don't forget to get a ticket on the Hope Chest in G. V. Wright's window to be given away at the White Shrine bazaar Dec. 8 and 9 at the Masonic Temple. Everyone invited to attend.

Professor Roy Hamilton of Alma College cannot get away from it. He is now substituting at Mt. Pleasant at the Presbyterian Church there until a successor is secured for Rev. Greene, who resigned that pastorate and went to Ionia. The highly agreeable substitute flippers up to Normaltown every Sunday morning, and back in the evening.

Kenneth Fee, a lad living near this city, who is attending school here, had a narrow escape from serious injury this morning as he was driving to school. The fills on his buggy became loose and fell, frightening his horse which ran away on State street. The lad was thrown from the buggy to the pavement, but luckily escaped with only some light bruises.

President Crooks eyes bulged out considerably Tuesday morning when he started to read a letter from the Bethlehem Engineering Corporation, and noticed the figures \$100,000,000. It was not the notice of a big gift to the college, but an invitation to take part by a member of the faculty, or some really intelligent student of the College in an expedition next spring to Cocos Island, where it was expected that ancient Peruvian treasure of that value might be dug up. The invitation probably will not be accepted.

EAST ALMA

George C. Bement, Republic avenue and his wife motored from Ann Arbor to Alma for a visit over the week end. Mr. Bement is working at Ann Arbor at present.

Mrs. Ray E. Downer, Republic avenue has been lying critically ill in the University Hospital at Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Robert Grierson, Grove avenue returned Saturday evening from University Hospital, Ann Arbor, where she underwent a very successful operation. Mrs. Grierson wishes to thank all the many friends who sent her flowers and letters. She speaks in the highest terms of the administration at the hospital. They certainly deserve and greatly need the new hospital that was begun, but which is being delayed in building owing to lack of funds.

J. B. Cleveland, Bridge avenue, is having a new basement put into the home on Grove avenue, which he is preparing to occupy. Mr. Cleveland is also having the grounds around the house well drained and is doing a fine piece of improvement work.

Mr. Eli Hemp and his son, Carmen, Grove avenue, are working on the house soon to be occupied by Mr. J. B. Cleveland.

Master Robert Ward, a pupil at Republic school is on the sick list with mumps.

The Republic school teachers and pupils gave the community a fine entertainment Wednesday night.

The City Manager is having drainage pipes laid down at the various corners of Republic school and at Dean street and Grove avenue. This is a much appreciated improvement.

There are to be the usual services at Eastminister Chapel this Sunday. Sunday school opens at 10:30 and Morning worship at 11:30.

Junior Christian Endeavor Society meets at 8 p. m. and the Senior Society at 6 p. m.

At seven o'clock the beautiful moving picture portraying "The birth of a nation" will be shown on the screen. Rev. Gelston is the preacher Sunday and he is well worth hearing. He ranks high as a Minister of the simple gospel and is a man of wide experience. He always has a message of real helpfulness. Hear him once and you will want to hear him all the time.

ELM HALL

Rev. Morse was a caller in Bay City, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lavooy and son, Preston, spent Wednesday in Harrison with relatives.

Mrs. Delbert Hicks entertained the W. R. C. Ladies Wednesday afternoon in honor of her mother, Mrs. Winters. The afternoon was spent in visiting. Mrs. Winters expressed her appreciation for the good will shown by her neighbors. Chicken dinner was served by the hostess.

Al Lavooy and William Watkins spent Wednesday in Harrison with relatives.

Frank Croton was in Ithaca on business the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fiederspiel spent the week end in Breckenridge with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mosher and daughter of Bay City spent several days at the home of Rev. Morse and family.

Queen Esther girls were entertained at the Parsonage at Riverdale, Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Norton were callers in Carson City, Tuesday.

Hubert Hicks is spending a few days in Harrison with friends.

Circulation counts—we have it.

Farm Students to
Build Radio Sets

A plan whereby all students in the various agricultural short courses at the Michigan Agricultural College this winter will have the chance to assemble their radio receiving sets has been announced by Ashley M. Bertridge, assistant director of winter courses at the college.

Plans and material for the work will be furnished by the M. A. C. farm mechanics department, and all students in the various special agricultural courses will be given the chance to enter the "wireless manufacturing" field.

Great interest in radio work among rural communities and the demand from man students for information on building home sets led to the installation of the special work.

Many of the winter short courses open on January 1, with other starting in February and March. Catalog and information on the courses may be had by writing to Director of Short Courses, M. A. C. East Lansing.

THANKSGIVING DAY SPECIAL

In accordance with a policy established over a period of seven years in Alma, the Strand management has secured for their special Thanksgiving Day offering a picture especially suited to the spirit of the day, and one of the biggest pictures of the year.

This time it is "The Old Homestead," featuring Theodore Roberts as "Uncle Josh."

This great American classic of the stage has been prepared for the screen on a most lavish scale. While of course the delightful humor of the spoken dialogue is missing, it's loss is more than amply compensated in the gigantic and thrilling scenes that can be produced for the screen which are impossible on the stage.

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There are many delightful moments of comedy, and some heart punches that will get to you, and bring tears of sympathy to your eyes.

"The Old Homestead" will be shown continuously from 2:30 to 11:00 on Thursday, and from 7:00 to 11:00 on Friday.—advertisement

One big steamship company runs its own laundry, which handles 500,000 articles a year.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The Lambda Sigma literary society of the high school met in the high school auditorium, Monday evening at 6:45. This was the first regular meeting held this semester.

The program consisted of the life and some of the Irish plays of Lady Gregory. It was given as follows: Lady Gregory and her works—Lila Mellott.

Synopsis of the play, "Hyacinth Halcyon"—Ephelyn Adams.

The play enacted, "The Rising of the Moon," with the following cast: Policeman—Martha Hoxie.

Policeman—Marie Stearns.

Sergeant—Marian Ludwig.

A Ragged Man—Margaret Mac Intyre.

The program was given excellently and was enjoyed by everyone present.

Meetings of the society are scheduled to be held on the first Monday evening of every school month.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the neighbors and friends and to the Eastern Star and F. & A. M. lodges for the beautiful flowers and the many kindnesses shown us during our sad bereavement in the loss of our good wife and mother.

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